

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICANT : Jackowski et al.  
INVENTION : **Biopolymer Marker Indicative of  
Disease State Having a Molecular  
Weight of 1348 Daltons**  
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF DECEMBER 14, 2006**

Sir:

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**Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims  
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